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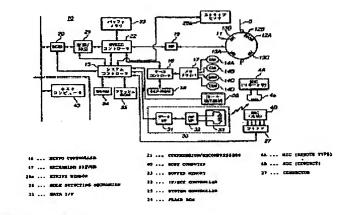
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Abstract of WO0038188

When an access to an MIC of a loaded tape cassette is successfully made, the MIC type stored in the MIC is recognized, and the data format corresponding to the tape cassette is also recognized without depending on the identification hole in the tape cassette case. Therefore expansion including future data formats can be dealt with.



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